

BASEBALL MEN CONFER.

League Directors in Session at
the Fifth Avenue.

The Brotherhood's Communication Laid on the Table.

Nichols, the Black-Listed Player, Applies for Reinstatement and is Refused—The Business of the Year Indorsed and the Pennant Formally Awarded to the Detroit Club—The Constitution Considered Section by Section—League Clubs May Not Play Outsiders—Fun Expected When the Percentage Clause Comes Up.

Bright and early the League delegates gathered at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. A good night's sleep had strengthened them for the battle of the day. They greeted each other pleasantly and gathered in little groups in the long corridors to discuss matters. It was not a bright outlook for the Brotherhood.

the players composing the order would not be recognized as an organization.

The delegates, however, seemed willing enough to admit the members of the Brotherhood into the meeting and give them a hearing as individuals.

It is not known whether the members of the Brotherhood will accept such a proposition. They were intrenched at the Barrett House, and declared that the League must send for them.

The members of the Brotherhood forming

The members of the board of directors of the committee are Messrs. Ward, Morrill, Brouthers and Hanlon. There is sure to be a hot fight over the percentage system. Detroit thinks the fact of her winning the championship will make the club a strong drawing card and that this fact entitles them to a percentage. Boston on the other hand will make a strong

The directors were to have met at 9 o'clock but the non-arrival of President John B. Day caused a long delay. They will be in session but a short time when the regular League meeting will be called. Manager Horace S. Fogel, of Indianapolis, has re-

The resignation takes effect immediately. This will leave a vacancy to be filled to-day.

From indications at noon it appeared that the meeting would be a long and stormy one. It will probably extend over until to-morrow.

At the directors' meeting, the business of the year was endorsed and the pennant formally awarded to the Detroit club. The meeting of the League was called at a quarter past twelve o'clock. President Nick Young

occupied the chair.
A. H. Nichols, the black-listed player of 1887, made application for reinstatement to the directors and was refused.
Ten years has not removed the stain from Al Nichols' reputation as a ball player. So said the Board of Directors of the National League of Professional Baseball Clubs in refusing Nichols' application for reinstatement. Nichols' offense was selling games in connection with Carver, of the

The hands on the big clock in the marble tiled barroom pointed to 12.15 when President Nick Young mounted his chair and called the meeting to order. Then the door was locked and it required a very potent "open sesame" to cause the brown door to

When one did enter he saw men of all sizes and complexions, who control the game that has such a strong hold on the affection of the American people.

There was President John B. Day, of the New York Giants; the famous "Big Three" of Boston, Messrs. Conant, Billings and Soden; Al Reach and John I. Rogers, of the Philadelphia; President Stearns, George M. Bail and Attorney Gray, of the champion De

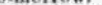
troits: W. A. Nimick, A. K. Scandrett and J. Palmer O'Neal, of the Pittsburg; John T. Brush, of the Indianapolis; A. G. Spalding and Walter Spalding, of the Chicago and President Hewitt, Walter Hewitt and John D. Sage, of the Washington. The regular business was introduced.

The constitution. The communication of the Brotherhood was received and laid on the table. At 1.25 an adjournment was taken until 2.30 for lunch.

The constitution was considered section by section. The only radical change was that relating to Sunday playing. It was amended that clubs in the League could not play, and making it impossible for them to play outside clubs. The discussion of the communication from the Brotherhood which

There is talk of Manager Harry Spencer, of Portland, being tendered the vacant managership at Indianapolis, caused by the resignation of Horace S. Fogle, which was published in THE EVENING WORLD. Another candidate spoken of is Herman Doeschler, the well-known umpire. Mr. Doeschler is here in New York with his wife, who is very ill. She is to have a dangerous operation.

performed to-morrow. Naturally Mr. Doecher is not in a humor for baseball talk. When the percentage clause in the constitution is reached then the fun will commence. It is expected that this will use up the whole afternoon and part of the evening.



Fall of a Big Steam Derrick.

A section of the Union Elevated Railroad, in course of erection on Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn, was cast at 3 o'clock this morning, creating a

The men had just begun work when a swaying of the structure was felt. All made a run for safety. With one exception they escaped. Edward Spier, who was up on one of the girders finding it about to give way, made a jump to the street below, a distance of twenty-four feet. He received a slight fracture of the right ankle. A street car had passed by only a moment before the derrick fell.



temperature, fresh
brisk westerly winds
shifting to southerly and diminishing in force.